

## Kentucky Applied Behavior Analyst Licensing Board

November 20, 2013

A regular meeting of the Kentucky Applied Behavior Analyst Licensing Board was conducted on November 20, 2013 at the Office of Occupations and Professions, in Frankfort, Kentucky.

<b><u>Members Present</u></b> Shelli Deskins, Ph.D. - Chair Stephen Wood Scott Brinkman, Attorney at Law Tammy Hammond-Natof, Ph.D. Cyndi Blackledge, Ph.D.  <b><u>Members Absent</u></b> Brady Dunnigan, Attorney at Law Steve Foreman	<b><u>Occupations and Professions Personnel</u></b> Lindsey Lane, Board Administrator  <b><u>Others</u></b> Angela Evans, General Counsel (filled in for Michael West)
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### **Call to Order**

Dr. Deskins called the meeting to order at 10:03am.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes of the October 25, 2013 meeting were presented for the Board's review. Dr. Natof made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Wood seconded that motion and it carried.

### **Financial Report**

The Board reviewed the financial report ending October 31, 2013.

### **Report from O&P**

Ms. Lane reported that work is continuing on the online renewal/database project with the Commonwealth Office of Technology. The projected completion date is early spring for all 23 Boards.

The Boards budget has been submitted to the Office of the State Budget Director with copies to the Legislative Research Commission. The budgets will be shared with each Board once they are finalized.

The wireless internet has been installed and can be logged onto through a password shared by office staff while you're here. The password changes each day due to security settings.

### **Board Counsel Report**

Ms. Evans informed the Board that Mr. West did not have anything to report at the November meeting.

### **Old Business**

The Board discussed Telehealth Services and the need for them in the Behavior Analyst profession. After much discussion the Board decided to table until all members can review and be present for discussion. One main concern at this time is the Supervisees.

Mr. Wood requested the Board discuss the required five hours of Abuse and Neglect Training. At this time the Regulation uses the word "And" when referring to the Abuse and Neglect Training regarding Children as well as Adults. Mr. Wood explained this can be confusing to potential licensees and felt the five hours should be between the two categories and not include both to gather ten hours rather than five. The Board felt five hours was enough and decided the Regulation should be revised to correct this miscommunication. Dr. Natof made a motion to keep the requirement at five hours and make the revision to the Regulations. Mr. Wood seconded that motion and it carried.

The Board discussed the Qualified Mental Health Professionals statute and what the board would need to do to allow Behavior Analysts to be included. Dr. Deskins explained that including Behavior Analysts as QMHP's may have implications for insurance reimbursement and would help legitimize the field in the state of Kentucky.

The subject of Supervision was discussed as there are new BCBA's that feel they're not getting the experience they need to go into this field. The Board discussed adding more Supervision requirements for BCBA's with less than three years of experience. The Behavior Analysis Certification Board has some changes coming that the Board will need to review and take into

consideration. Any revisions made would just be related to the Regulations and not the Statutes.

Ms. Lane spoke to the Board about the Board of Psychology's applicant that claimed to have work experience as a Behavioral Specialist. The Psychology Board will be addressing this issue with the applicant so at this time the ABA Board will not need to take any action.

### **New Business**

Ms. Lane informed the Board that they had three (3) new application to review and possibly license. The applications committee made a recommendation to approve the following Application for Licensed Behavior Analyst submitted by Jennifer Mick pending receipt of her proof of the required five hours of Abuse and Neglect Training and her transcript. The Application for Licensed Behavior Analyst submitted by Ashley Ratliff was approved as all documentation was submitted. The Application for Temporary Licensed Assistant Behavior Analyst submitted by Ryan Burke was denied as the required course work has not been completed at this time but the Board requested the applicant reapply once his course work is complete. Mr. Wood made a motion to accept the committee's recommendation. Dr. Natof seconded that motion and it carried.

Ms. Lane presented a request for an extension by a Temporary Licensed Behavior Analyst. Unfortunately the Board was unable to grant the extension due to the current statute that only allows a two year time frame to hold a Temporary license. However, the Board did state that the licensee could still work as a supervisee and apply for full licensure once they complete the examination. Mr. Wood made a motion to deny the extension. Mr. Brinkman seconded that motion and it carried.

### **Travel and Per Diem**

Mr. Wood made a motion to approve travel and per diem for today's meeting. Mr. Brinkman seconded that motion and it carried unanimously.

### **Adjournment**

Mr. Brinkman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Wood seconded that motion and it carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 11:40am.